

page design and third-place recognition for feature stories. The Frisco Enterprise won a second-place prize for editorials; third place in general excellence; third places in feature story and feature photo; fourth places in sports photo and in headline writing. It was also fourth in the overall sweepstakes contest.

I extend my sincere congratulations to these newspapers on their outstanding achievements in journalism. Their hard work, dedication, and success in delivering the news and informing the community deserve the highest recognition and congratulations. Accurate and informative news is a cornerstone of democracy, and the Star Community papers are a credit to the journalism trade.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 29, 2006

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, last night, during a series of two-minute votes, I inadvertently voted "no" on rollcall No. 340. I had intended to vote "aye." I would like to make it clear for the record, that I do not support the multilingual ballot provision in the Voting Rights Act, and that I oppose such provisions that mandate financial burdens on the states and further divide this great Nation.

IN TRIBUTE TO JUNE PERRY, OUTGOING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEW CONCEPT SELF DEVELOPMENT CENTER

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 29, 2006

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a woman in my district who has dedicated her career to improving the quality of life for African American children and their families. June Perry, co-founder and Executive Director of New Concept Self Development Center, retires this month after 31 years at the helm of this multifaceted human services agency.

Equipped with a master's degree in social work and experience working in Milwaukee County's child protective services, June Perry started New Concept Self Development Center in 1975. Understanding that intervening in the cycle of poverty requires prevention as well as treatment, she built an institution to provide appropriate and high quality mental health and social services to residents of Milwaukee's central city. Over the last three decades, New Concept tackled a wide range of issues, ranging from teen pregnancy and high school drop-out prevention to crisis counseling for survivors of Hurricane Katrina. Always on the lookout for new ways to approach old problems, June Perry's leadership has been characterized by a passion for innovation, a strong commitment to collaboration, and the determination to do what it takes to serve the community.

Not only has Ms. Perry developed innovative social service programs, she is also a noted leader and expert in the field of non-

profit management. She has participated in management programs at the Denali Institute, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, and the prestigious Stanford University School of Business. She has received numerous national and local awards for her work, including the Women of Influence award from the Business Journal, the Trailblazer award from the Black Women's Network, and the President's Points of Light Award.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is safe to say that June Perry's efforts have touched the lives of tens of thousands of Milwaukee residents, over the course of several generations. Rather than wait for someone else to address the problems that plague our community, she has never hesitated to step up and marshal resources to implement solutions. I am honored to have this opportunity to thank her for her tireless advocacy and unwavering commitment to the children and families of our community, and to wish her a long and rewarding retirement.

SALUTING THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON TITANS IN COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 29, 2006

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment and congratulate the Cal State Fullerton Titans' baseball team for their remarkable season and outstanding run at the College World Series title.

Cal State Fullerton made the journey to Omaha for the 14th time in the program's 32-year Division I history. The Titans hold four past College World Series Championships (1979, 1984, 1995, and 2004) and for the first time since 1995, they entered the College World Series undefeated in NCAA Tournament play by sweeping regional and super-regional play.

Although the Titans did not win the College World Series, their sweat and hard work paid off, as they had three players, Justin Turner, Danny Dorn and David Cooper represented on the 60th NCAA College World Series All-Tournament Team.

The Titans finished their remarkable season with a winning record of 50-15 and had nine players drafted in this year's Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft, which is an incredible accomplishment.

I admire the hard work and efforts of these young men after a long and competitive season. It is not an easy task to make it to the College World Series. The city of Fullerton and the State of California are very proud of your efforts.

Congratulations to head coach George Horton, assistant coaches Rick Vanderhook, Jason Gill, Ted Silva, the Titan baseball players, and all the Titan fans on a great season. Remember the Titans! Next year will be our year!

THE U.S.-OMAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 29, 2006

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I have voted against every harmful and unbalanced trade agreement that has come before this house. I would welcome the opportunity to vote for an agreement with strong and enforceable labor and environmental protections. Unfortunately the U.S.-Oman FTA has neither of these and I will be voting against this bad trade deal. The FTA falls way short of the labor protections that must be included to make it an acceptable agreement.

This FTA is just like CAFTA. It looks the same . . . feels the same . . . and has the same problems. We need a "time-out" on trade and stop this "race to the bottom." Our trade policy has not been in the best interest of U.S. workers, small businesses, farmers or the economy and environment. Our trade agreements have not significantly raised the living standards in foreign nations. And U.S. trade policy has forced American workers to compete on an uneven playing field.

We must defeat this harmful and unbalanced U.S.-Oman FTA.

IN HONOR OF MICHAEL OWEN O'MALLEY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 29, 2006

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Michael Owen O'Malley, devoted family man, dear friend, United States Veteran and decorated Lieutenant with the Cleveland Police Department, Mr. O'Malley's courageous and compassionate heart framed his 45-year tenure with the Cleveland Police Department as Patrolman, Sergeant and Lieutenant.

Mr. O'Malley was born on June 30, 1930, to Michael and Mary O'Malley of County Mayo, Ireland. He was raised on the West side of Cleveland, where he was taught by his parents the significant lessons of family, faith and giving back to others. He graduated from Wes High School, enlisted in the U.S. Army and honorably served in the Korean War. In 1954, he married Mary Ginley O'Malley. Then, as today, family is the center and foundation of their lives. Together, Michael and Mary raised their six children: Patricia, Margaret, Michael, Patrick, James and Mary K., and remain a foundation of love and support for their children and nine grandchildren.

He was awarded several citations for bravery, one of which reflected his courage and selflessness as he placed his own life in danger when he entered a burning building and carried a resident out to safety.

Beyond time spent with family, Mr. O'Malley is an active member of the community. He is a longtime member of St. Angela's Parish, and has volunteered his time and talents with the West Side Irish American Club, American Legion, and the Mayo Society. Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley love and appreciate the simple treasures in life, including visiting relatives and